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A CO-OPERATIVE student who was injured on a construction job turned in the following report, explaining the accident:

"On November 28, 1938, I was helping the foreman repair a brick chimney. This later turned out to be too many bricks. I rigged up a wooden box hoist to the top. Then we hauled up several hundred brick. After the foreman got all the brick work repaired there was still a lot of brick at the top of the working platform. So I climbed down the ladder and hauled the box all the way up. Then I untied the line to let the brick down.

"However, I found the box of brick heavier than I was and when the box started down, I started up. I was going pretty fast at the top and bumped my head.

First Stewed: "Who's your close mouthed companion over there?"

Second Stewed: "He ain't close mouthed. He's waiting for the janitor to return with the spittoon."

Habit gets a fellow—Many a father who worked his way through college is now working his son's way through.

My fingers also got pinched in the pulley block. However, at the same time the box hit the ground and the bottom fell out of it, letting all the bricks out. Then I was heavier than the box and started down again. I got burned on the leg by the other rope as I went down until I met the box again which went by faster than before and took the skin off my shins. I landed pretty hard.

"At that time I lost my presence of mind and let go of the line and the box came down and hit me squarely on the head. The doctor wouldn't let me go back to work until December 2, which made me miss four day's work, which I don't think is too much under the circumstances.

—Marquette Engineer.

A fly was walking with her daughter on the head of a man who was very bald.

"How things change, my dear," she reminisced. "When I was your age this was only a footpath."

Doctor (preparing report for birth registration): "Let's see, this is the tenth, isn't it?"

Mrs. Jones: "Oh, my, no—only the third."